HON'BLE MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARAMBIKKULAM

38. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state the object of the visit of the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development to Parambikkulam?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Visited on Government business.

PRINTING PAPER—CONTROL OF PRICES

39. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received any representation from the printers and publishers in Cochin regarding the necessity of controlling the price of printing paper in Cochin State;

(*b*) if so, what action was taken;

(*c*) have not some merchants refused to sell papers in anticipation of rise in prices;

(*d*) are the Government aware of the steps taken by the Travancore Government in this matter?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) On enquiry it was found that there was not much of newsprint (printing paper) in stock in the State and so it was considered not necessary to take any action in the matter for the time being.

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) Yes.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Is there at present any difficulty to obtain printing paper?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* Printing paper is to come from foreign countries and there may be some difficulty.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* But is there plenty of stock here?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* No.

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